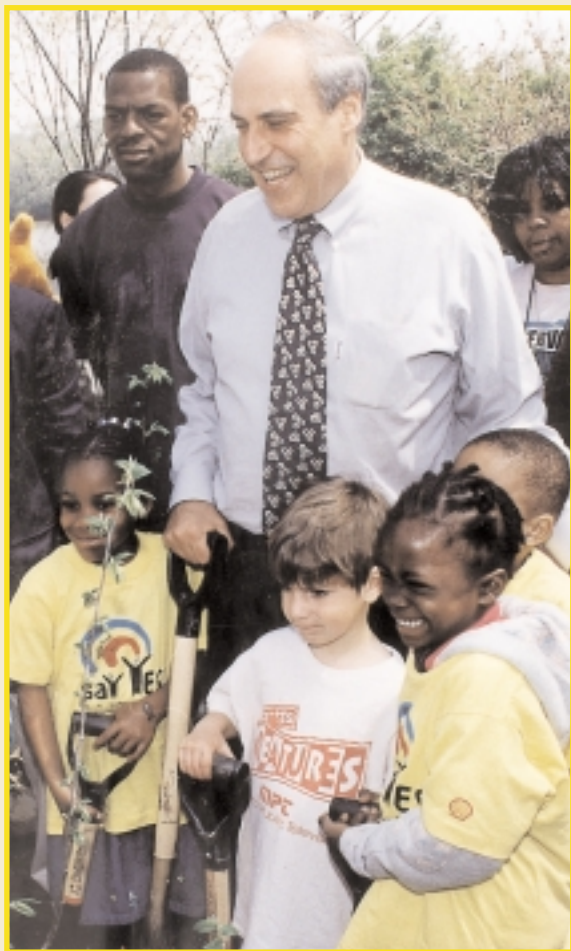


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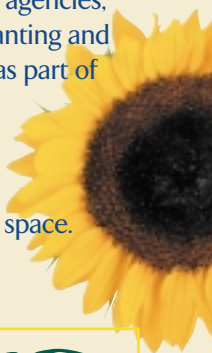
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Join the White House Millennium Council, U.S. Department of Agriculture, other Federal agencies, and leading nonprofit organizations in planting and improving gardens in 2000 and beyond as part of Millennium Green. Together we will:

- Grow food for our communities,
- Bring communities together, and
- Beautify our neighborhoods with green space.



What is a

Millennium Garden

A Millennium Garden is a school, home, or community garden planted or improved by the end of 2001. A garden is a Millennium Garden when you:

- Share a portion of your vegetables with a central food kitchen or a community-based organization that feeds the hungry, or share a portion with needy families in your area,
- Give a portion of your flowers and ornamental plants to hospitals, nursing homes, and shut-ins in your community,
- Practice sound conservation measures that preserve the soil and protect the environment,
- Bring people together to learn more about how plants enhance communities, and
- Register as a Millennium Green project and receive a certificate of participation.

The goal is to have 1 million Millennium Gardens planted and registered by the end of 2001.

In the Spirit of

Victory Gardens

“This is the right time for us to take up the spirit that inspired millions of citizens to plant Victory Gardens that sustained America during World War II. I invite you to plant a Millennium Garden in your home, community, or school . . . to share a portion of what you grow . . . and to protect the environment as you go. If you do, you will reap a victory that includes a healthier diet, improved environment, and stronger community.”

—Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture

Victory Gardens, one of the most remarkable illustrations of American patriotism, were a vital source of food production during and just after World War II. In a year's time, more than 20 million gardens were planted in support of the war effort, making a sizable contribution to America's food supply. To carry on that patriotic spirit into the next Millennium, grow a Millennium Garden and increase the food supply for people in need.



What is

Millennium Green

Millennium Green is a national project of the White House Millennium Council led by USDA. Millennium Gardens are one part of the overall project. Become a part of Millennium Green by planting or adopting a tree or garden. Join others in your community to protect a heritage tree or plant a grove.

Why is Millennium Green important? Urban development has reduced our tree cover—in some places from 50 percent in the 1970's to 20 percent today. This loss has hurt our streams and wetlands. But planting trees and gardens can help the environment and provide the green spaces that make our communities more livable. In addition, Millennium Gardens can help fight hunger.

The Millennium Green web site is www.millenniumgreen.usda.gov. For more information on Millennium Gardens, log on to www.gardening.usda.gov or call (202) 720-2593.

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What you can do

For the Future

You can:

- Start or expand a school or community garden,
- Plant a row for the hungry in your home garden,
- Ensure that gardens protect the environment and provide green space, and
- Teach children the joy of caring for plants.



I am interested in planting a Millennium Garden and being a part of Millennium Green. Please send me more information about how to register a Millennium Garden.

Name

Street Address or P.O. Box

City, State, Zip Code

E-mail address

Please stamp and mail back to learn more about Millennium Gardens.



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